

Tuesday, May 8, 1923

The Senate met at 10 o'clock A. M.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Butler, Campbell, Colson, Eaton, Epperson, Etheredge, Hodges, Igon, Johnson, Knight, Lindsey, MacWilliams, Malone, Mapoles, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Stokes, Taylor, Wells, Wicker—28.

A quorum present.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 259):

An Act to designate the boundaries and limits of Special Tax School District No. 1, commonly known as Lecanto District; No. 8, commonly known as Crystal River District, all of Citrus County, Florida, and No. 9, commonly known as Citronelle District; to provide for Trustees and the assessing and collecting of taxes in said Districts as hereinafter mentioned.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 323):

An Act establishing Special Tax School District No. 1 in St. Johns County, Florida; defining its boundaries; providing for the appointment of trustees therefor; authorizing the levy of taxes upon the property in said district for the exclusive use of the public free schools therein situate; and authorizing said district to issue bonds under the General Laws of Florida for the purpose of acquiring, building, furnishing and otherwise improving school buildings and school grounds within the said district.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 306):

An Act providing for the sale and issuance of bonds in the sum of forty thousand dollars by the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Bradford, State of Florida, to fund the outstanding indebtedness of the said Board of Public Instruction and providing for a sinking fund with which to pay the principal and interest on said bonds as same matures, and specifying what interest the said bonds are to bear and date of maturity of the same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 344):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Palatka, in the County of Putnam, in the State of Florida, and to create, establish and organize a municipality in the County of Putnam, State of Florida, to be known and designated as the City of Palatka, and to define its territorial boundaries, and to provide for its government, jurisdiction, powers, franchises and privileges.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 285):

An Act empowering the City Council of the City of Key West, Florida, on behalf of said city, to condemn, acquire and purchase lands for public parks and playgrounds beyond the city limits; to contract for the development and improvement thereof; including the construction of golf courses thereon; to let contracts for such work or perform the same by and under its supervision for the city; to pay and disburse all funds for such purposes; to pass ordinances governing the use and regulation of such properties, including the imposition of charges for green fees on the golf courses and for the maintenance thereof after construction; requiring all moneys received as revenue from the use of golf courses over and above maintenance, upkeep and operation costs to pass to the credit of the interest and sinking fund account of said city.

Beg leave to report that the same has this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 212):

An Act validating and confirming the tax levies of the City of Archer, in Alachua County, State of Florida, and validating and confirming the ordinances of the said City of Archer relative to the assessment and collection of taxes and providing a method of enforcing the collection of taxes due and to become due to the said City of Archer.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 282):

An Act regulating and fixing the compensation of the County Solicitor of Monroe County, Florida.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 283):

An Act authorizing and empowering the City Council of the City of Key West to close certain platted streets in said city.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 295):

An Act to extend the corporate limits of the Town of Eustis, Lake County, Florida, and to give the said Town of Eustis Jurisdiction over the territory embraced in said extension.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 262):

An Act authorizing and empowering Special Tax School District No. 8 of Citrus County, Florida, to borrow money in excess of current indebtedness and bond issues, to issue notes or time warrants to pay interest on same.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 238):

An Act to authorize and empower the City of Bartow to drain any swamp, body of water, low, over flow or water soaked lands lying within or without said city, in order to better health or sanitary conditions in said city, and prescribing the methods of accomplishing such drainage; and to authorize said City of Bartow to acquire, own, use, control and occupy any lands within or without said city, or easements or rights of way over or through the same, for the purpose of draining any swamp, body of water, low, over flow or water soaked lands lying within or without said city, in order to better health or sanitary conditions in said city; and to authorize said city to issue bonds to pay part or all of the cost of such drainage, or drainage works or improvements in connection therewith, or of any such lands, easements or rights of way, and providing a method of issuing such bonds and for an election and the qualifications of voters at such election; and providing that any person or corporation who shall injure, obstruct, damage or destroy any drainage works or improvements constructed, used or maintained by said city under this Act, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and prescribing punishments therefor, and providing that such

person or corporation shall also be liable in damages for double the cost of removing or repairing such injury, obstruction, damage or destruction, and for the amount of injury to property caused thereby.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 258):

An Act to abolish and discontinue Special Tax School District No. 4 commonly known as Fort Cooper District of Citrus County, Florida, to add the territory embraced therein to Special Tax School District No. 3 commonly known as Inverness District and Special Tax School District No. 13 commonly known as Florida City District, all of Citrus County, Florida; to fix the boundaries of said Special Tax School Districts Nos. 3 and 13; to provide for trustees and for the levying, assessing and collecting of taxes in said district and the general government of same.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 257):

An Act to prohibit catching or taking of Oswego bass from the waters of Homosassa River and its tributaries in the county of citrus, State of Florida, by the use of seines, gill-nets, haul-nets, baskets, or by any other kind of nets or devices except hook and line; to prohibit the selling of Oswego Bass Fish, commonly known as Black Bass, and to declare a closed season; to prohibit catching or taking of said Oswego Bass Fish, commonly known as Black Bass, from the waters of said river and its tributaries from the 30th day of January to the 15th day of April during each and every year; and to prohibit the selling of said fish weighing less than one pound at any time; to prescribe that its violations shall be deemed a misdemeanor and shall be punished by general law.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

*Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.*

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 273):

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming all of the proceedings taken for the creation and organization of the Jumper Creek Drainage District, and all of the acts and proceedings taken by, for and on behalf of the said District since the creation thereof, and all of the acts and proceedings of the Circuit Court of Sumter County, and of the Board of Supervisors, the Commissioners and all other officers of said Drainage District, and of said Sumter County acting for and on behalf of said District, in carrying out the affairs of said District; and ratifying, validating and confirming any and all tax levies and assessments which have been made by the Board of Supervisors of said District upon the assessable and taxable property located within said District; and defining and declaring the territory included within the boundaries thereof.

Beg leave to report that the same has this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

*Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.*

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 180):

An Act to ratify, approve, confirm and validate the actions of the Board of County Commissioners of Citrus County, Florida, in passing resolutions calling the election, publishing notice of election, examining and revising the registration books, and giving notice of same, printing of ballots, holding of election, canvassing the returns and declaring the result, appointing Bond Trustees, providing for a sinking fund, the suit filed and decree entered, validating bonds, the form of bond adopted, time and place of payment, and each and every step taken by the Board of County Commissioners and county officers concerning the issuance and sale of Seven Hundred and Fifty County Bonds of the County of Citrus, in the denomination of One Thousand Dollars each, and of a total sum of Seven Hundred and Fifty Thousand Dollars for the purpose of constructing a system of paved, macadamized or other hard surfaced highways in said Citrus County, Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same has this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 474):

An Act to incorporate and establish a municipal government for the town of Citra, in Marion County, Florida, provide for its government, prescribe its jurisdiction and powers, and to abolish the present corporation of said town.

Also—

(House Bill No. 531):

An Act providing for the sale and issuance of bonds in the sum of Thirty-five Thousand Dollars by the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Union, State of Florida, to fund the outstanding indebtedness of the said Board of Public Instruction, and providing for a sinking fund with which to pay the principal and interest on said bonds as same matures, and specifying what interest said bonds are to bear, and date of maturity of same. Whereas, etc.

Also—

(House Bill No. 530):

An Act for the protection of the public roads of St. Lucie County, Florida, and providing penalties for the violation of this Act.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 367):

An Act to make it unlawful for Cattle, Horses, Mules, Asses, Sheep, Goats and Hogs to run or roam at large in that portion of Manatee County, Florida, lying south of Manatee River and west of Braden River, and that branch of Braden River that intersects the Sarasota County Line between Sections 34 and 35, Township 35 South, Range 18 East and lying north of the line between Manatee and Sarasota Counties; to provide for the impounding and sale of said animals when found running or roaming at large in violation of this Act; to provide for the recovery of damages suffered by persons, or to property by reason thereof; to provide for the assessment and collection of reasonable attorney's fees; to provide punishment for owners of any such animals, who permit the same to run at large in violation of this Act, and submitting the ratification thereof to the qualified voters of Manatee County, Florida, who are residents of the territory described in this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 494):

An Act creating the Palmdale Drainage District, providing the period of its existence, the manner in which the Board of Supervisors shall be elected, authorizing the said district to proceed with the drainage and reclamation of the land embodied in said District, under Chapter 6458, Laws of Florida, of 1913, and making applicable to said Drainage District said Chapter.

Also—

(House Bill No. 527) :

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County, Florida, to issue Negotiable Interest Bearing Notes of Certificates of Indebtedness for the purpose of constructing and improving the public roads and for building bridges in St. Lucie County, Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 422) :

An Act to authorize the Town of Mayo, Florida, to borrow money and to issue interest bearing warrants or notes therefor, for the purpose of building or repairing the streets of said town.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 400) :

An Act in relation to Special Road and Bridge District No. 19 of Palm Beach County, Florida, validating and confirming the proceedings to create such district and to issue bonds thereof to the amount of \$70,000 and authorizing the issuance and sale of bonds to the said amount.

Also—

(House Bill No. 409) :

An Act to amend the charter of the City of Sarasota, being Chapter 6768, Acts of 1913, Laws of Florida, by amending Section 8, and by adding three additional sections to said charter to be known as Section 16 (a), Section 56 and Section 57.

Also—

(House Bill No. 408) :

An Act relating to the traffic and prohibiting the use of certain vehicles over and upon the improved roads and highways of Sarasota County, Florida, and providing that certain persons operating vehicles upon said improved roads and highways shall repair the same, and defining the term "Improved Roads and Highways," and providing a penalty for the violation thereof.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 526) :

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of St. Lucie County, Florida, to provide for the appointment and compensation of Special Officers for the regulation of traffic over and the protection of public roads in St. Lucie County.

Also—

(House Bill No. 490):

An Act to legalize and validate a Special Bond Election held in the Town of Tavares, Lake County, Florida, on the 17th day of February, 1920, for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said Town the question of the issuance of Bonds to the amount of thirty thousand dollars for the purpose of paving and improving certain streets in said Town; and to legalize and validate the issuance, sale and delivery of said Bonds, and all Acts and proceedings taken by the Town Council and Officers of said Town with reference thereto.

Also—

(House Bill No. 528):

An Act authorizing the Board of County Commisisoners of St. Lucie County, Florida, to issue and sell Negotiable Interest Bearing Notes or Certificates of Indebtedness for the purpose of constructing an addition to the Court House of St. Lucie County, Florida, and furnishing equipment therefor, and providing for the levy of taxes for the payment of principal and interest of said notes or certificates.

Also—

(House Bill No. 568):

An Act relating to the government and powers of the City of Delray, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming certain of its ordinances and resolutions; authorizing, ratifying, approving, validating and confirming certain special assessments levied against property in the City of Delray, Florida, and authorizing, ratifying, approving and validating certain of its municipal bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 529):

An Act validating all the Acts and proceedings of the Board of Supervisors and all Officers and Agents of Indian River Farms Drainage District in St. Lucie County, Florida, validating the decree of the Circuit Court confirming the Commissioners' Report for said District; validating the Bonds of said District and all Tax Levies and Assessments made for and on behalf of said Drainage District; prescribing the method of making tax assessments and pay-

ing taxes upon lands within said Drainage District and providing that the Annual Landowners' Meeting of said Drainage District; shall be held in the month of February in each year.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate,

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Memorial No. 1):

Whereas, There is now pending before the Congress of the United State, a bill to establish a National Conservatory of Music for the education of pupils in music in all its branches, vocal and instrumental, and for other purposes ;and

Whereas, That which makes nations and individuals happier and more contented, is not merely material wealth but includes also spiritual, like music and art, a kind of wealth that no enemy can take away or destroy; and

Whereas, Music is proven to be an essential part of civilized life and is a great ethical force in refining and elevating character, and considered in all civilized countries an asset necessary to happiness; and

Whereas, Music is a factor in diminishing crime and in bringing spiritual inspiration as well as to cause more contentedness in the the homes of our laboring people; and

Whereas, The National Government to whom we look for our National guidance is essentially also charged with look-

ing after the welfare of the laboring masses and to provide for musical education for their children; and

Whereas, Governments of foreign civilized countries spend annually large sums of money to encourage musical education of its citizens by providing national institutions where instruction is free to those who show talent in music; and

Whereas, It is estimated that before the war in Europe ten thousand young men and young women flocked to European countries to study music and art, seeking favors from foreign Government did not not extend to them encouragement to study in their native land; and

Whereas, A bill was introduced in the Senate of the United States to establish a National Conservatory of Music for the education of pupils in music in all its branches, vocal and instrumental, and for other purposes, which bill is now with the Committee on Education and Labor of the United States Senate for consideration; and

Whereas, The bill before Congress aims to encourage music in the rural districts in order to make life more attractive to the farmer population and therefore make the life of the women on the farms more tolerable; and

Whereas, This is an educational as well as a social movement for social uplift and for social betterment of the laboring and farming population.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 510):

An Act to prohibit the catching and removal of fresh water fish from the lakes, rivers, streams, ponds and bayous of Calhoun County, Florida, between April 1st and June 1st of each year, and to provide penalties for the violation of this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 146):

An Act to amend Section 3 and Section 7 of Chapter 8541 of the Acts of the Legislature for the year 1921, relating to Traffic Officers and their compensation and terms of office.

Also—

(House Bill No. 425):

An Act to amend Section 3 and Section 9 of Chapter 6067, Acts of 1909, Laws of Florida, entitled "An Act to provide a Municipal Government for the Town of Lee, in Madison County, Florida."

Also—

(House Bill No. 567):

An Act relating to the government and powers of the town of Lake Worth, in Palm Beach County, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming certain of its ordinances and its resolutions; authorizing, ratifying, approving, validating and confirming certain special assessments levied against property in the town of Lake Worth, Florida, and authorizing, ratifying, approving and validating certain of its municipal bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 148):

An Act to charge against the property to be benefited a designated portion of the cost of construction, paving and improving certain classes of Public Highways in Hillsborough County; to prescribe what property shall be deemed benefited, and the amount of benefit thereof; relatively to provide for the assessment and collection of such amount; to authorize the issue and sale of County Bonds against the assessment so made; and to prescribe the duties and powers of certain County Officers in relation thereto.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 387):

An Act relating to the government and powers of the Lake Worth Drainage District; to the powers and duties of the Board of Supervisors of said Lake Worth Drainage District; validating the outstanding warrants of said district; authorizing the issuance of bonds of said Lake Worth Drainage District; authorizing and directing a tax levy and requiring provision to be made for the payment of said bonds, and providing how the proceeds arising from the sale of said bonds shall be expended.

Whereas, the Board of Supervisors of the Lake Worth Drainage District found it necessary in order to complete

the plan of reclamation of the Lake Worth Drainage District to incur obligations in the sum of Two Hundred and Seventy Thousand, Seven Hundred and Eighty Dollars and Twenty Cents (\$270,780.20), which said obligations are now outstanding, justly due, owing and unpaid, and are evidenced by warrants issued by the Board of Supervisors of said District, and said Board of Supervisors have no funds from which to pay said warrants.

Also—

(House Bill No. 573):

An Act to legalize and validate the action of the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Manatee, State of Florida, in enlarging Oak Hill Special Tax School District and defining the boundaries thereof, and validating and confirming the action of the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Manatee, State of Florida, in determining who should be Trustees for said Special Tax School District.

Whereas, the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Manatee, State of Florida, pursuant to Chapter 8555 of the Laws of Florida, approved June 14th, 1921, and complaints by petition or otherwise, from all and singular the Special Tax School Districts hereinafter referred to, did, by resolution on the 19th day of September, A. D. 1922, appearing of record among the public records contained in the office of the Superintendent of Public Instruction for Manatee County, Florida, in Minute Book "E" at page 161, determine that the boundaries of Oak Hill Special Tax School District No. 4, Durham Special Tax School District No. 3, and Tyre Creek Special Tax School District No. 9, of Manatee County, Florida, be revised and changed so that Oak Hill Special Tax School District No. 4 of said county would entirely embrace and absorb said Durham Special Tax School District No. 3 and Tyre Creek Special Tax School District No. 9 of Manatee County, Florida, and that said Oak Hill Special Tax School District No. 4, as so enlarged, should be, and the same was by said resolution described as follows, to-wit, etc.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 128):

An Act to confer additional powers upon the City of Miami, a municipal corporation of the State of Florida, and to amend paragraph (hh) of Section 3; to amend Paragraph (j) of Section 3; to amend Paragraph (b) of Section 4, and to amend Sections 15, 30, 57 and 81, of the Charter of the City of Miami, adopted by the electors of the City of Miami at an election held May 17, 1921, which Charter was legalized and validated by Chapter 9024 of the Laws of Florida.

Also—

(House Bill No. 483):

An Act to validate, approve and confirm proceedings taken for the levying of assessments against abutting property owners in the Town of Lake Wales, Polk County, Florida, for the construction of certain street paving, and to validate, approve and confirm the ordinances and resolutions providing for the same and all other acts and proceedings taken by the Council of said Town and City and other officers and agents of said Town and City for and on behalf of the same in connection with the levying of said assessments; to validate, approve and confirm certificates

of indebtedness issued against said assessments and said abutting property on account of said street paving, and to validate, approve and confirm the issuance of improvement bonds at the par value of \$30,000.00 of said town of Lake Wales, Polk County, Florida, issued against said assessments and said certificates of indebtedness; providing for further assessments, certificates and Bonds.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the
Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 388):

An Act relating to the government and powers of the City of West Palm Beach, Florida; authorizing, ratifying, validating, approving and confirming certain of its ordinances and resolutions; authorizing, ratifying, approving, validating and confirming certain special assessments levied against property in the City of West Palm Beach, Florida, and authorizing, ratifying, approving and validating certain of its municipal bonds.

Also—

(House Bill No. 464):

An Act ratifying, validating and confirming all acts and proceedings of the City of Fort Lauderdale, in Broward County, Florida, in the improvement by the construction of an open canal for the purpose of draining the lots

and lands lying and being situate within the boundaries of the district known and designated as Storm Sewer District Number Six; declaring the same to be a storm sewer or other drain within the meaning of the provisions of Section 81, Chapter 8950, Laws of Florida, Special Acts of 1921; declaring the same to be a public improvement and legal and valid; and ratifying, validating and confirming all assessments and certificates of indebtedness heretofore levied and issued, or which may hereafter be levied and issued against the lots and lands within said district benefited by the said improvement; and providing that assessments and certificates of indebtedness levied and issued against the lots and lands within said district shall be liens on said lots and lands benefited, prior in dignity to all other liens except liens of a like nature.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.

Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 491):

An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction for Pinellas County, Florida, to issue and sell interest bearing time warrants for the purpose of securing money wherewith to pay claims against the said Board arising on account of the maintenance and support of public free schools and to arrange for the County Commissioners to levy an annual tax for the purpose of creating an interest and

sinking fund for the payment of the interest on said warrants when due, and to retire the same at their maturity, and to arrange for the investment of said sinking fund, and to provide for the validation of said warrants.

Also—

(House Bill No. 343):

An Act prohibiting the operation upon or over the hard surfaced highways and public roads of Dade County, Florida, of vehicles, trucks, tractors, implements, log carts, log wagons and trailers, traction engines, trailers and other implements, without rubber or smooth surfaced metal tires, or having tires or supporting surfaces of a character injurious to said roads or the surface thereof, and providing a penalty for violation of such provisions; and providing for the operation of such vehicles by permission of the Board of County Commissioners; and providing for the operation on such roads of such vehicles used for transportation of logs, timber or turpentine products in accordance with rules and regulations of the Board of County Commissioners and for repair of damage done by said vehicles; and providing penalties for violations of such provisions; and providing for recovery of damages and Attorneys' fees from persons damaging such roads; and providing for the granting of temporary and permanent injunctions without bond to protect such roads; and defining "Public Roads" as used in this Act; and providing for the issue of writ of mandamus to compel the repair of damage done to such roads; and providing rules of evidence for civil actions and criminal prosecutions with regard to such roads and damage thereto; and exempting the Federal, State and County Governments from the provisions hereof while building, maintaining or improving such roads; and vesting in the Board of County Commissioners of said County power and authority to make, prescribe and promulgate rules and regulations for the protection of and governing traffic on said roads, and thereby to prescribe the weights of such vehicles and implements, and the width and character of the tires or supporting surfaces thereof, which shall be allowed the use of such roads, and generally regulating and governing the traffic on and use of such roads, and providing penalties for violation of such rules and regulations, and providing for the adoption and promulgation thereof, and rules of evidence to prove such rules and regulations;

and providing such rules and regulations shall have the force and effect of law; and this Act may be repealed or modified; providing for the validity of all sections and parts hereof not held invalid; and providing when this Act shall take effect.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 436):

An Act to validate and legalize an election held in and for the City of Bartow on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1921; to validate and legalize the Charter of the City of Bartow, which was adopted by the electors of said City at said election held on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1921; and to validate and legalize all contracts, municipal assessments, ordinances and resolutions, appointments and election of officers and all other acts which have been done under and by virtue of said Charter, and providing a form and method of government for said City of Bartow.

Whereas, on the 13th day of December, A. D. 1921, in accordance with a call duly issued therefor, an election was held in the City of Bartow, pursuant to Chapter 6940 of the Laws of the State of Florida, Acts of 1915, after which election a Charter for the said City of Bartow was adopted by the qualified electors of said City, under which said Charter officers have been elected and appointed and the municipal

government of said City has functioned since the 8th day of March, A. D. 1922; therefore.

Also—

(House Bill No. 484):

An Act to provide for the assessment and collection of the taxes of the town of Milton, and for the collection of the back taxes and tax sale certificates of said town.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the
Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 330):

An Act to amend Sections 25, 77, 79, and 83 of the charter of the town of Pompano, in Broward County, Florida, embraced in Chapter 6754 of the Laws of Florida, Acts of 1913, the same being an Act entitled "An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the Town of Pompano, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to legalize and validate the ordinances of said town of Pompano, and official acts thereunder; to create and establish a new municipality to be known as the Town of Pompano, in Palm Beach County, Florida, and to fix and provide its territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers;" to provide for assessing and collecting taxes in said town and the issuance of tax sale certificates and tax deeds, and to validate bonds issued by said town

during the year 1923, and to repeal all other laws and parts of laws relating to or affecting said town in conflict with this Act.

Also—

(House Bill No. 386):

An Act to provide for the creation of a municipal corporation to be known as the Town of Delray Beach, in Palm Beach County, Florida; to fix and determine the territorial limits, jurisdiction and powers of said town and jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 467):

An Act to legalize, ratify, validate and confirm the proceedings of the City of Vero, Florida, in issuing bonds for the purpose of erecting a public building for the use of the municipality of the City of Vero; also in issuing bonds for the purpose of constructing, maintaining, or purchasing an electric light engine for the electric light works of the City of Vero; also in issuing bonds for the purpose of grading, paving, hard surfacing, asphaltting and curbing certain streets in the City of Vero.

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Vero, Florida, did on July 12th, 1922, by ordinance, provide for the issu-

ance of \$50,000 in bonds of said city for the following purposes:

For erecting a public building for the use of the municipality of the City of Vero, \$10,000;

For constructing, maintaining, or purchasing an electric light engine for the electric light works of the City of Vero, \$40,000.

Whereas, an election was duly held the 18th day of August, A. D. 1922, for the purpose of voting on the question whether the above bonds should be issued; and

Whereas, a majority of the votes cast by the qualified electors voting for each purpose separately, was for the issuance of all of said bonds; and

Whereas, the City Council of the City of Vero, Florida, did on August 21st, 1922, by ordinance, provide for the issuance of \$17,500 in bonds of the said city for the grading, paving, hard surfacing, asphaltting and curbing of certain streets in the City of Vero, in the said ordinance provided; therefore,

Beg leave to report that the same has this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 7, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 92):

An Act to create and establish a municipality to be known as the Town of Anna Maria, in Manatee County, Florida; and to fix and provide its territorial limits; to

prescribe and authorize its jurisdiction and powers, and the jurisdiction and powers of its officers.

Also—

(House Bill No. 263):

An Act to repeal Chapter 8895 of the Laws of Florida, the same being entitled "An Act creating Moore Haven Drainage District, defining its boundaries, prescribing its powers, privileges, duties and liabilities, naming the members of the first Board of Supervisors, providing for the levying of taxes upon the property in said district, and the collection of the same, and the sale of lands to enforce said collection of such taxes, authorizing the Board of Supervisors of said District to borrow money and issue bonds and dispose of same, to procure money to carry out the provisions of this Act, giving to said District full power to acquire such lands and property as may be necessary and proper for its purposes, and to prevent injury to any works constructed under this Act, and to provide a penalty for violating such Provisions."

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 657):

An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Leon, in the State of Florida, to define and

declare the boundaries of Special Tax School District No. 1 of said county, and to submit their action to the qualified voters of said district for approval at an election to be called and held for such purpose.

Also—

(House Memorial No. 2):

A Memorial to Congress of the United State of America requesting an appropriation for Kissimmee River in the State of Florida.

Whereas, the Kissimmee River by the proper expenditure of funds can be made a waterway of great value to the citizenship of the State of Florida; and

Whereas, to make this water course valuable for commerce and navigation, it is necessary that there be constructed thereon a system of locks and dams; therefore, etc.

Also—

(Senate Bill No. 410):

An Act to amend Section 4 of Article 8 of Chapter 5359, Laws of Florida of 1913, organizing a municipal government for the Town of Perry, Florida.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

The bills and memorial contained in the above report have been duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Anderson Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 399:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide that all persons who are not residents of the State of Florida and who are engaged in the business of selling automobiles at retail in the State of Florida shall pay a License Tax.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 399, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Anderson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Trunbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 120:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing the manner in which certain Special Tax School Districts may be abolished and territory embraced therein be added to other districts.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And Engrossed House Bill No. 120, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Anderson, Chairman of the Committee on Finance and Taxation, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Finance and Taxation, to whom was referred—

House Bill No. 251:

A bill to be entitled An Act to validate tax levies heretofore made in this State and to provide that when lands are actually assessed in the name of the owner thereof that the levy under such assessment shall not be invalid because of the fact that the owner thereof has not made return of the property assessed to the Tax Assessor or other Assessing Authority.

Have had the same under consideration, and return same without recommendation.

Very respectfully,

S. W. ANDERSON,
Chairman of Committee.

And House Bill No. 251, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 149):

An Act providing for the creation of Collier County in the State of Florida, and for the Organization and government thereof.

Have examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 235):

An Act to validate, approve and confirm all the proceedings heretofore taken by the City of Marianna, Florida, in the contracting, construction, completion and acceptance of the paving and incidental improvements in connection therewith of certain streets and public places of said city, and in the levying of assessments against the abutting property on the streets and public grounds so paved, and to validate, approve and confirm the liens of such assessments, and of the certificates of indebtedness issued upon same against the abutting property aforesaid, and to validate, approve and confirm the issuance of certain special improvement bonds of said City of Marianna, aggregating \$34,500.00 par value, issued against certain of said assessments and certificates of indebtedness.

Have examined the same and find it correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on
Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

The bill contained in the above report was duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 346):

An Act to organize and establish a County Court for Glades County, Florida, to prescribe the terms thereof; to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers; to provide for the appointment of a Judge and Prosecuting Attorney.

Also—

(House Bill No. 395):

An Act to protect the fish in the rivers, creeks, canals and inside waters of Seminole County, Florida.

Also—

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 11):

Whereas, the importance of improving our waterways will serve a pressing economic necessity;

Whereas, the making of the Suwannee River navigable for heavier craft by the deepening of same from the mouth to Branford in Suwannee County would develop one of the finest sections of Florida;

Whereas, the citizens residing in the counties adjacent to and nearby said river have organized an association for the purpose of promoting and advocating the proposition, thereby demonstrating their faith and interest in said project;

Whereas, this would materially lessen freight rates greatly to the benefit of all citizens of said territory;

Whereas, it is a policy of the Federal Government to deepen rivers and harbors for the development and maintenance of commerce;

Also—

(House Bill No. 488):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Leesburg; to legalize the ordinance of said City and all official acts thereunder; to create and establish the municipality of the City of Leesburg, in Lake County, Florida, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers and officers thereof.

Have examined the same and find them correctly enrolled.

The same having been duly signed by the Speaker and Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives, we herewith present the same for the signatures of the President and Secretary of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

The bills and resolution contained in the above report have been duly signed by the President and Secretary of the Senate in open session and ordered referred to the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, to be conveyed to the Governor for his approval.

INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS.

By Mr. Mapoles—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 416:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Article X of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to homestead and exemptions.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Butler—

Senate Joint Resolution No. 417:

A Joint Resolution proposing an amendment to Section 27 of Article III of the Constitution of the State of Florida, relating to State and county officers.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments.

By Mr. Stokes—

Senate Bill No. 418:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section Five of Chapter 6587, Laws of Florida, approved June 7, 1913, entitled "An Act relating to the powers, duties and jurisdiction of the Court of Record in Escambia County, Florida, and of its judge and officers, and relating to the powers, duties and jurisdiction of other officers in said County of Escambia in relation to matters within the jurisdiction of said Court of Record."

Which was read the first time by its title and placed on the Calendar of Local Bills on the Second Reading without reference.

CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 12:

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate Concurring:

Section 1. That the Joint Legislative Investigation Committee, appointed to investigate into the cause of the death of one Martin Tabert, of North Dakota, be and it is hereby directed and instructed to furnish to the State Attorney of the Third Judicial Circuit of Florida one complete copy of the transcript of the testimony taken before said Committee relating to the death of said Martin Tabert, and the cause thereof.

Section 2. Said Committee is directed to cause the expense of furnishing the transcript mentioned in Section 1 hereof to be paid and discharged and report made, in the same manner as is followed in paying the other expenses of such Committee.

Was taken up in its order and the message from the House of Representatives was read as follows:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 4, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to ask the Senate to return as requested—

House Concurrent Resolution No. 12:

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. That the Joint Legislative Investigation Committee, appointed to investigate into the cause of the death of one Martin Tabert, of North Dakota, be and it is hereby directed and instructed to furnish to the State Attorney of the Third Judicial Circuit of Florida one complete copy of the transcript of the testimony taken before said committee relating to the death of said Martin Tabert, and the cause thereof.

Section 2. Said Committee is directed to cause the expense of furnishing the transcript mentioned in Section 1 hereof to be paid and discharged and report made, in the same manner as is followed in paying the other expenses of such committee.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Concurrent Resolution No. 12, contained in the above message was read the first time by its title.

And the further consideration of House Concurrent Resolution was temporarily passed over.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 13:

Whereas, There are about 6,500 sailors in the Confederate Navy from the 13 Confederate States, averaging 500 from each State, whose records of enlistment, service and discharge were destroyed when Richmond was evacuated; and

Whereas, Their survivors find it difficult to secure pensions, or gain admittance into the Soldiers' Homes without such records; and

Whereas, There are to be found among the families of their descendants valuable papers, consisting of official documents, letters and other data that will enable those records to be established; and

Whereas, Admiral A. O. Wright is a resident of Florida and is rescuing such records, which when recovered are to be placed in the historic archives of this State, alongside those of the Confederate Soldiers already on file there; now, therefore,

Be it Resolved by the House of Representatives, the Senate concurring:

Section 1. That the efforts of Admiral Wright and his surviving shipmates of the Confederate Navy to rescue such records be endorsed and commended to the consideration and support of the people of Florida.

Section 2. Further, that the municipal and patriotic organizations of Florida may assist Admiral Wright by tag days and other methods to raise the necessary fund for that purpose, and in order that all benevolent organizations make a full investigation in their respective localities to ascertain all that can be learned whether or no there ever lived among them a Confederate Sailor, and if so advise the authorities in order that his case may be investigated and his record established.

Section 3. Further, that a copy of these resolutions be sent to Admiral Wright.

Mr. Johnson moved the Resolution be laid on the table subject to call.

Which was agreed to.

And the Resolution was so placed.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6:

Whereas, The leasing of convicts will certainly be abolished at this session of the Legislature and the only question that remains to be solved is that of corporal punishment; and

Whereas, The matter of the infliction of corporal punishment upon convicts is within the sound discretion of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Commissioner of Agriculture, and there is at this time no law upon the Statute Books that either requires or prohibits; and

Whereas, Section 6217 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, provides that all county convicts shall be kept and worked under such rules and regulations and supervision as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Agriculture with advise and approval of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Commissioner of Agriculture with the approval of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions shall have the power to enforce such rules and regulations; and

Whereas, Section 6282 of the Revised General Statutes of the State of Florida, provides the Commissioner of Agriculture under such regulations as may be prescribed by the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions shall

supervise the management and control of prisoners and shall visit and inquire into all alleged abuses and neglect of duty and make report to such Board as to the same at such times as said Board may require; and

Whereas, There are those who it deem it unwise to write into the Statute law an absolute and positive prohibition of corporal punishment; now therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring:

Section 1. That it is the sense of this Legislature that the abolition of corporal punishment be given a thorough and complete trial and if the experiment proves successful that it be forever abolished.

Section 2. That the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Commissioner of Agriculture are hereby authorized and required to abrogate and repeal so much of Rule Eight (8) as promulgated in its Rules and Regulations as to the leasing and working of convicts both County and State, as refers to corporal punishment of convicts, said rule reading as follows:

"Rule 8. The Captain or Warden at each camp shall report to the Commissioner of Agriculture at the end of each month the name of each convict punished during the month, and the kind and amount of punishment inflicted. No cruel or inhumane punishment shall be inflicted upon the convicts, nor more than ten licks shall be administered in any single punishment, and no convict shall be punished on his naked skin."

That the said Board and the Commissioner of Agriculture are also authorized and directed to devise other adequate and proper punishment as to them it shall seem wise, to supply the place of corporal punishment.

Section 3. That after a full and complete trial of such other and further punishment as may be prescribed by said Board and the Commissioner of Agriculture, the same prove adequate and successful, said Board and the Commissioner of Agriculture are requested to continue same and forever abolish corporal punishment for convicts of all classes and grades.

Which was laid over under the rule on yesterday.

Was taken up and placed before the Senate.

The Concurrent Resolution was read the second time in full.

Mr. Hodges offered the following amendment to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6:

Strike out paragraph 5.

Mr. Hodges moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hodges offered the following amendment to Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6:

In Section 3, line 2, strike out the words "and further."

Mr. Hodges moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. MacWilliams moved that the Resolution, as amended, be referred to the Special Committee having in charge Senate Bill No. 43, and all amendments germane to the subject of convict punishment and control.

Mr. Lindsey moved to amend the motion that the Special Committee be instructed to report on tomorrow.

The amendment to the motion was not agreed to.

The question then recurred upon the motion of Mr. MacWilliams, to refer the Resolution to the Special Committee.

Which was not agreed to.

The question was then put upon the adoption of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6.

Upon which a yea and nay vote was demanded.

The roll was called and the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Colson, Epperson, Hodges, Johnson, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Taylor, Wicker—17.

Nays—Senators Butler, Eaton, MacWilliams, Russell—4.

So the Resolution was adopted.

The following pairs on the adoption of the Resolution were announced, as follows:

Senator Mapoles and Senator Etheredge paired on the Resolution. If Mr. Mapoles were present he would vote nay and Mr. Etheredge would vote yea.

Mr. Campbell was paired with Mr. Igou. Mr. Igou would vote yea and Mr. Campbell would vote no on the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Anderson was paired with Senator Rowe. If Mr. Rowe were present he would vote no and Mr. Anderson would vote yea.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 was ordered certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

Mr. Hodges asked, on behalf of the Special Committee to consider Senate Bill No. 43, and all amendments thereto, and to frame from same a bill to present to the Senate, asked permission to return to the Senate file and Calendar Senate Bill No. 43, with all amendments thereto, committed to them and that the committee be discharged from its labor.

Which was agreed to.

The committee was discharged, and Senate Bill No. 176, with House amendment, returned to the Calendar.

The President appointed Senators Phillips of the 14th and Campbell of the 13th as conferees on the part of the Senate to consider the differences between the Senate and the House on House Bill No. 114.

Senate Bill No. 188:

A bill to be entitled An Act to further provide for and maintain the Dade Memorial Park and to make appropriation therefor.

Was taken up and read the second time.

Mr. Wicker moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 188 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 188 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Butler, Campbell, Eaton, Epperson, Hodges, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Shelley, Taylor, Wicker—17.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

By consent—

Mr. Phillips introduced—

Senate Bill No. 419:

A bill to be entitled An Act revising Sections 6217 and 6218 of the General Statutes of Florida, providing for the abolishment of the convict lease system described in Rules and Regulations for the Maintenance and Care of Convicts,

fixing the salaries of captains, guards and physicians described in the method of rendering reports to the Board of Commissioners of said institutions, and approving the penalties for the failure to comply with the rules and regulations as contained in this bill.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 419 be read a second time in full.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 419 was read the second time in full.

Mr. Johnson moved that Senate Bill 419 remain on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading. And with all Bills relating to Convict control etc., be made a Special Order for Thursday morning at 11 o'clock, and that 100 copies of Senate Bill No. 419 be printed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Colson moved that Senate Bills 9 and 189 and all Bills relating to the gasoline tax, be made a Special Order for considerations Friday at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Butler moved that when the Senate adjourns this morning that it recess to 4 o'clock P. M. today.

Which was agreed to.

By Consent—

Mr. Taylor Introduced—

Senate Bill No. 420:

A bill to be entitled An Act to repeal Section 5846 and Section 5847 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida prohibiting the use of diving suits, helmets, etc., in the gathering of sponge.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By consent—

Mr. Taylor introduced—

Senate Bill No. 421:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5843 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to size of sponge.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

By consent—

Mr. Taylor introduced—

Senate Bill No. 422:

A bill to be entitled An Act giving person, persons, firms or corporations furnishing monies, equipment, or supplies to any person, firm, corporation, or association of persons for the purpose of catching, gathering or curing sponge, a lien upon the sponge so caught, gathered, or cured and providing a penalty for violation hereof.

Which was read the first time by its title and referred to the Committee on Game and Fisheries.

Mr. Scales moved that 100 copies of Senate Bill No. 361 be printed.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Butler moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon at 12:57 P. M. the Senate took a recess until 4 o'clock P. M. today.

THE AFTERNOON SESSION.

The Senate convened at 4 o'clock P. M. pursuant to recess orders.

The President pro tem in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators, answered to their names:

Senators Anderson, Butler, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Epperson, Etheredge, Hodges, Igou, Johnson, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Mapoles, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Taylor, Wells, Wicker—26.

A quorum present.

The Journal of May 7, 1923, was corrected and as corrected was approved.

The following correction was made in the Journal of Monday, April 16, 1923.

On line 5 of page 20, of daily Journal of Monday, April 16, 1923, the word "Senate Bills" is hereby made to read

"House Bill," so that the said line shall read "and House Bill No. 277 was read a third time in full."

REPORTS OF ENROLLING COMMITTEE.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(Senate Bill No. 149):

An Act providing for the creation of Collier County in the State of Florida, and for the organization and government thereof.

Beg leave to report that the same has this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 657):

An Act to authorize the Board of Public Instruction for the County of Leon, in the State of Florida, to define and declare the boundaries of Special Tax School District No. 1 of said County, and to submit their action to the qualified voters of said District for approval at an election to be called and held for such purpose.

Also—

(House Memorial No. 2):

A memorial to Congress of the United States of America requesting an appropriation for Kissimmee river in the State of Florida.

Whereas, the Kissimmee river by the proper expenditure of funds can be made a waterway of great value to the citizenship of the State of Florida; and

Whereas, to make this water course valuable for commerce and navigation, it is necessary that there be constructed thereon a system of locks and dams; therefore—
etc.

Also—

(House Bill No. 410):

An Act to amend Section 4 of Article 8 of Chapter 5359, Laws of Florida of 1903, organizing a Municipal Government for the Town of Perry, Florida.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled
Bills on the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla. May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 346):

An Act to organize and establish a County Court for Glades County, Florida, to prescribe the terms thereof; to prescribe its jurisdiction and powers; to provide for the appointment of a Judge and Prosecuting Attorney.

Also—

(House Bill No. 395):

An Act to protect the fish in the rivers, creeks, canals and inside waters of Seminole County, Florida.

Also—

(House Concurrent Resolution No. 11):

Whereas, the importance of improving our Waterways will serve a pressing economic necessity;

Whereas, the making of the Suwannee River navigable for heavier craft by the deepening of same from the mouth to Branford, in Suwannee County, would develop one of the finest Sections of Florida;

Whereas, the citizens residing in the counties adjacent to and nearby said River have organized an association for the purpose of promoting and advocating this proposition, thereby demonstrating their faith and interest in said project;

Whereas, this would materially lessen freight rates greatly to the benefit of all citizens of said territory.

Whereas, it is a policy of the Federal Government to deepen rivers and harbors for the development and maintenance of commerce;

Also—

(House Bill No. 488):

An Act to abolish the present municipal government of the City of Leesburg; to legalize the ordinance of said City and all official Acts thereunder; to create and establish the municipality of the City of Leesburg, in Lake County, Florida, and to provide its jurisdiction and powers and officers, thereof.

Beg leave to report that the same have this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,
Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on
the Part of the Senate.

Mr. Rowe, Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the part of the Senate, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber.
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills, to whom was referred—

(House Bill No. 235):

An Act to validate, approve and confirm all the proceedings heretofore taken by the City of Marianna, Florida, in the contracting, construction, completion and acceptance of the paving and incidental improvements in connection therewith of certain streets and public places of said city, and in the levying of assessments against the abutting property on the streets and public grounds so paved, and to validate, approve and confirm the liens of such assessments, and of the certificates of indebtedness issued upon same against the abutting property aforesaid, and to validate, approve and confirm the issuance of certain special improvement bonds of said City of Marianna, aggregating \$34,500.00 par value, issued against certain of said assessments and certificates of indebtedness.

Beg leave to report that the same has this day been presented to the Governor for his approval.

Very respectfully,

R. H. ROWE,

Chairman of the Joint Committee on Enrolled Bills on the Part of the Senate.

By consent—

The Committee on Engrossed Bills submitted the following reports:

Mr. Singletary, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred (with amendments) after third reading—

Senate Bill No. 339:

A bill to be entitled An Act authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of the County of Okeechobee, Florida, by resolution, to issue negotiable interest bearing bonds, bearing seven per cent interest per annum, payable semi-annually in such form, date, date of maturity, and time and place or places of payments the said Board of County Commissioners may adopt, in the sum of \$160.00, for the purpose of completing the construction of the State No. Eight (8), leading from the west city limits of the City of Okeechobee, Florida, to the Okeechobee County west boundary, at Kissimmee River; providing for the levy of taxes to pay the principal and interest of said bonds; authorizing the expenditure of any balance that may be left over, in completing and improving other roads and bridges of the County of Okeechobee.

Have carefully examined the same, and find same correctly engrossed, and return same herewith.

Very respectfully,

W. J. SINGLETARY,

Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 339, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

Mr. Singletary, Chairman of the Committee on Engrossed Bills, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred (with amendments) after second reading—

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6:

Whereas, The leasing of convicts will certainly be abolished at this session of the Legislature, and the only question that remains to be solved is that of corporal punishment; and

Whereas, The matter of the infliction of corporal punishment upon convicts is within the sound discretion of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Commissioner of Agriculture, and there is at this time no law upon the Statute Books that either requires or prohibits it; and

Whereas, Section 6217 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, provides that all county convicts shall be kept and worked under such rules and regulations and supervision as may be prescribed by the Commissioner of Agriculture with advise and approval of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Commissioner of Agriculture with the approval of the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions shall have the power to enforce such rules and regulations; and

Whereas, Section 6282 of the Revised General Statutes of State of Florida, provides the Commissioner of Agriculture under such regulations as may be prescribed by

the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions shall supervise the management and control of prisoners and shall visit and inquire into all alleged abuses and neglect of duty and make report to such board as to the same at such time as said board may require; and

Now therefore, be it resolved by the Senate, the House of Representatives concurring.

Section 1. That it is the sense of this Legislature that the abolition of corporal punishment be given a thorough and complete trial, and if the experiment prove successful that it be forever abolished.

Section 2. That the Board of Commissioners of State Institutions and the Commissioner of Agriculture are hereby authorized and required to abrogate and repeal so much of Rule Eight (8) as promulgated in its Rules and Regulations as to the leasing and working of convicts, both County and State, as refers to corporal punishment of convicts, said rule reading as follows:

"Rule 8. The Captain or Warden at each camp shall report to the Commissioner of Agriculture at the end of each month the name of each convict punished during the month, and the kind and amount of punishment inflicted. No cruel or inhumane punishment shall be inflicted upon the convicts, nor more than ten licks shall be administered in any single punishment, and no convict shall be punished on his naked skin."

That the said Board and the Commissioner of Agriculture are also authorized and directed to devise other adequate and proper punishment as to them shall seem wise, to supply the place of corporal punishment.

Section 3. That after a full and complete trial of such other and further punishment as may be prescribed by said Board and the Commissioner of Agriculture, the same prove adequate and successful, said Board and the Commissioner of Agriculture are requested to continue same and forever abolish corporal punishment for convicts of all classes and grades.

Have carefully examined the same, and find same correctly engrossed, and return same herewith.

Very respectfully,

W. J. SINGLETARY,
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 6 was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Mitchell, Chairman of the Committee on Temperance, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Fla., May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Temperance, to whom was referred—
Senate Bill No. 350:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 5472 of the Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to intoxicated persons and providing a penalty for violations of said Section as amended.

Have had the same under consideration, and recommend that it do pass.

Very respectfully,

J. M. MITCHELL (9th),
Chairman of Committee.

And Senate Bill No. 350, contained in the above report, was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The following message from the House of Representatives was received:

House of Representatives,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 8, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

I am directed by the House of Representatives to inform the Senate that the House of Representatives has passed—

House Bill No. 558:

A bill to be entitled An Act providing for the propounding and prosecution of a claim by and in the name of the State of Florida against the government of the United States of America, for the recovery, under the present laws of the United States or such as may be hereafter enacted, from said Government of all moneys heretofore paid illegally into the Federal Treasury as a direct tax upon property situated in the State of Florida, and providing for the recovery of said moneys, or any part thereof; authorizing the Governor of the State to employ counsel and enter into the necessary contracts and agreements for the carrying out of the object and provisions of this Act; providing for notice to and procedure by any and all claimants of or to such moneys, or part thereof, and fixing a limitation of time within which to present such claim, or claims, to such moneys or any part thereof, after which such moneys, or such parts thereof as to which no claim shall have been proven, shall escheat to and become the absolute property of the State of Florida.

And respectfully requests the concurrence of the Senate thereto.

Very respectfully,

B. A. MEGINNISS,

Chief Clerk House of Representatives.

And House Bill No. 558 contained in the above message was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Anderson moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 558, be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 558, was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Anderson moved that the rules be further waived and that House Bill No. 558, be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 558, was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Butler, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Epperson, Hodges, Igou, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Wicker—21.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered certified to the House of Representatives.

Mr. Butler moved that House Bill No. 564 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

House Bill No. 564:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 4658, Revised General Statutes of Florida, relating to free or reduced transportation by common carriers.

Was taken up.

Mr. Butler moved that the rules be waived and House Bill No. 564 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And House Bill No. 564 was read a second time by its title only.

And House Bill No. 564 was placed on the Calendar of Bills on Third Reading.

By consent—

Mr. Shelley introduced—

Senate Bill No. 423:

A bill to be entitled An Act giving and granting to Graves Brothers Company, a corporation, its successors and assigns, the consent and authority of the State of Florida to erect, construct, build, control and operate a bridge for tram road and logging road purposes over and across Crooked River, a navigable stream, in the County of Franklin, and State of Florida.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Shelley moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 423 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 423 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Shelley moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 423 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 423 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Butler, Colson, Cone, Epperson, Etheredge, Igou, Knight, Lindsey, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Taylor, Wells, Wicker—19.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

Mr. Russell moved that Senate Bill No. 55 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 55:

A bill to be entitled An Act to provide for safety to life and property in the State of Florida in the construction and use of steam boilers; authorizing the State Board of Engineering Examiners to adopt rules and regulations for boilers used in this State, which will be uniform with rules now in existence in other States, in order to provide for free interchange of boilers between States; to define the power of the State Board of Engineering Examiners under this Act; to provide penalties for the violation of this Act, and rules and regulations of the State Board of Engineering Examiners.

Was taken up and read the second time in full.

Judiciary A Committee of the Senate offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 55:

In Section 1, line 3, add after the word "Boilers" the following: "hereafter brought into or manufactured in the State of Florida."

Mr. Russell moved the adoption of the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Judiciary A Committee of the Senate offered the following amendment to Senate Bill No. 55:

At the end of Section 3 add: "Provided that anything contained in this Act shall not apply to locomotive and stationery boilers of railroad companies where the same are regularly inspected."

Mr. Russell moved to adopt the amendment.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Epperson moved that the rules be waived and that Senate Bill No. 55, as amended, be placed back on the Calendar of Bills on the Second Reading for further consideration.

Which was agreed to.

And the bill took its position on the Calendar of Bills on Second Reading.

Mr. Phillips moved that Senate Bill No. 137 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 137:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting pension to James Sims, of Columbia County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 137 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 137 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 137 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 137 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Hodges, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Mitchell, Phillips, Putnam, Scales, Shelley, Taylor—14.

Nays—Senators Butler, Epperson, Igou, Overstreet, Rowe, Russell, Singletary, Wicker—8.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

Mr. Phillips moved that Senate Bill No. 138, be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 138:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting pension to Mrs. S. E. Collins, of Columbia County, Florida.

Was taken up.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 138, be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 138, was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Phillips moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 138, be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 138, was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Hodges, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Phillips, Rowe, Scales, Shelley, Singletary—13.

Nays—Senators, Epperson, Igou, Mitchell, Overstreet, Russell, Wicker—6.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

By consent—

Mr. Putnam introduced—

Senate Bill No. 424:

A bill to be entitled An Act relating to and authorizing Volusia County, Florida, to purchase the three bridges across the Halifax River at Daytona; relating to and authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of said County to issue time warrants or bonds for such purpose, and also to repair or rebuild said bridges, any or all; and relating to and authorizing the County Commissioners of said county to fix and collect tolls and charges thereon.

Which was read the first time by its title.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 424 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 424 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Putnam moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 424 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 424 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Hodges, Igou, Knight, Lindsey, Malone, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Rowe, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Taylor, Wicker—20.

Nays—None.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered to be certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

Mr. Knight moved that Senate Bill No. 267 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And—

Senate Bill No. 267:

A bill to be entitled An Act granting pension to Mrs. A. J. Anders, of Bradford County, Fla.

Was taken up.

Mr. Knight moved that the rules be waived and Senate Bill No. 267 be read a second time by its title only.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 267 was read a second time by its title only.

Mr. Knight moved that the rules be further waived and that Senate Bill No. 267 be read a third time in full and put upon its passage.

Which was agreed to by a two-thirds vote.

And Senate Bill No. 267 was read a third time in full.

Upon call of the roll on the passage of the bill the vote was:

Yeas—Senators Anderson, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Etheredge, Hodges, Knight, Malone, Phillips, Putnam, Scales, Shelley—12.

Nays—Senators Epperson, Igou, Johnson, Lindsey, Mitchell, Overstreet, Rowe, Russell, Singletary—10.

So the bill passed, title as stated.

And the same was ordered certified to the House of Representatives immediately.

Mr. Colson moved that House Bill No. 222 be taken up out of its order and now considered.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Johnson arose to a point of personal privilege, presenting a communication of a threatening character.

And the same was placed on the file of the Senate.

Mr. Igou moved that Senate Bill No. 263 be made a Special Order for consideration for next Tuesday, May 15, 1923, at 11 o'clock A. M.

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Wells moved that the Senate do now adjourn.

Which was agreed to.

Thereupon the Senate, at 6:32 o'clock P. M., adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Wednesday, May 9, 1923.

Wednesday, May 9, 1923

The Senate met at 10 o'clock a. m.

The President in the chair.

The roll was called and the following Senators answered to their names:

Mr. President, Senators Anderson, Butler, Calkins, Campbell, Colson, Cone, Eaton, Epperson, Etheredge, Hodges, Igou, Johnson, Knabb, Knight, Lindsey, MacWilliams, Malone, Mapoles, Mitchell, Overstreet, Phillips, Putnam, Russell, Scales, Shelley, Singletary, Stokes, Taylor, Wells, Wicker—31.

A quorum présent.

Prayer by the Chaplain.

Reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

The Journals of Monday, May 7th, and Tuesday, May 8, 1923, were corrected, and as corrected were approved.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Mr. Knight, Chairman of the Committee on Judiciary B, submitted the following report:

Senate Chamber,
Tallahassee, Florida, May 9, 1923.

Hon. T. T. Turnbull,
President of the Senate.

Sir:

Your Committee on Judiciary B, to whom was referred—

Senate Bill No. 387:

A bill to be entitled An Act to amend Section 1 of Chapter 8494 of the Acts of 1921, of the Laws of the State of Florida, the same being An Act to fix the compensation of the State Attorney.